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Consumer Price Index – August 2015

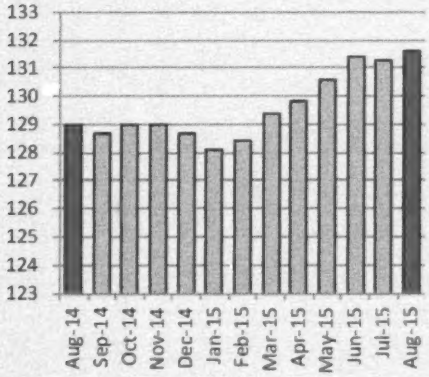
Information released today by Statistics Canada indicates that the Yellowknife All-Items Consumer Price Index rose 2.0% compared to one year ago. By comparison, the annual price increase was 1.3% for Canada, 1.9% for Edmonton, and 0.7% in Whitehorse.

All-Items Consumer Price Index (2002=100)

	15-Aug	15-Jul	14-Aug	% Change from 15-Jul	% Change from 14-Aug	12-Month Average 14-Sep 15-Aug	12-Month Average 13-Sep 14-Aug	% Change
Yellowknife	131.6	131.3	129.0	0.2	2.0	129.7	127.7	1.6
Canada	127.3	127.3	125.7	-	1.3	126.0	124.4	1.3
Edmonton	134.7	134.1	132.2	0.4	1.9	132.7	130.8	1.5
Whitehorse	126.0	125.4	125.1	0.5	0.7	124.0	124.2	-0.2

Compared to August 2014, consumer prices increased in Yellowknife for most major components with the exception of shelter. Higher prices for food from stores (6.0%) and household furnishings (5.3%) were offset by lower prices for water, fuel & electricity (-6.3%).

CPI - Yellowknife
August 2014 to August 2015



Comparing August 2015 with July 2015, overall prices in Yellowknife increased by 0.2%. Prices rose for most major components over the last month with the exception of transportation and food. Shelter component remained unchanged.

CPI values for Yellowknife and Whitehorse include estimates of price changes for owned accommodation based on the price of rental accommodation. As a result, the all-items indexes published for these centres are not strictly comparable to those for Canada and Edmonton.

Next release of CPI: October 23, 2015.

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Consumer Price Index, August 2015
Selected Indexes, Yellowknife (2002 = 100)

	15-Aug	15-Jul	14-Aug	% Change from 15-Jul	% Change from 14-Aug
All Items	131.6	131.3	129.0	0.2	2.0
Food	139.0	139.1	132.2	-0.1	5.1
Food from Stores	138.7	138.9	130.8	-0.1	6.0
Food from Restaurants	138.3	138.3	135.9	-	1.8
Shelter	150.1	150.1	150.6	-	-0.3
Water, Fuel & Electricity	190.8	192.2	203.7	-0.7	-6.3
Household Operations & Furnishings	115.1	113.9	111.6	1.1	3.1
Household Operations	122.7	122.5	120.1	0.2	2.2
Household Furnishings	98.9	95.9	93.9	3.1	5.3
Clothing & Footwear	101.6	100.3	99.9	1.3	1.7
Clothing	93.5	92.0	92.6	1.6	1.0
Footwear	98.0	97.5	93.6	0.5	4.7
Clothing Accessories & Jewellery	144.4	141.7	145.0	1.9	-0.4
Clothing Material, Notions & Services	110.0	109.9	110.0	0.1	-
Transportation	124.5	125.0	122.3	-0.4	1.8
Private Transportation	124.3	124.9	121.9	-0.5	2.0
Public Transportation	128.9	128.8	126.6	0.1	1.8
Health & Personal Care	119.7	119.0	119.0	0.6	0.6
Health Care	115.1	117.4	116.1	-2.0	-0.9
Personal Care	124.0	121.3	122.2	2.2	1.5
Recreation, Education & Reading	108.2	107.4	104.6	0.7	3.4
Recreation	104.8	103.9	101.0	0.9	3.8
Education & Reading	126.7	126.7	125.8	-	0.7
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	167.5	167.0	164.4	0.3	1.9
Alcoholic Beverages	149.5	149.4	148.7	0.1	0.5
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	188.7	187.5	181.4	0.6	4.0
SPECIAL AGGREGATES:					
Food	130.2	129.8	128.3	0.3	1.5
Energy	127.0	126.6	123.4	0.3	2.9
Shelter	123.7	123.3	120.0	0.3	3.1
Alcoholic Beverages	131.2	130.9	128.5	0.2	2.1
Tobacco Products	130.5	130.2	127.9	0.2	2.0
Housing (1986 Definition)	141.0	140.4	139.5	0.4	1.1
ENERGY AND ITS COMPONENTS:					
Energy	181.7	182.8	193.4	-0.6	-6.0
Electricity	196.8	196.8	189.4	-	3.9
Fuel Oil And Other Fuels	211.2	216.1	270.5	-2.3	-21.9
Natural Gas	..	..	..	..	..
Gasoline	153.3	153.8	159.5	-0.3	-3.9
Fuel, Parts and Supplies for Rect'l Vehicles	..	..	..	..	..

Note: Additional indexes are available from the Time Series Retrieval and Statistics Canada Catalogue 62-001.
Source: Statistics Canada